Welcome to the 2013-14 school year! This is the first edition of the Guidance Department’s scholarship newsletter. Most of the information is relevant to seniors, but sometimes there are contests that are open to all grade levels. We encourage you to stay in close contact with your guidance counselor to learn about these competitions. These newsletters are available in guidance offices and online on the district website, www.hufsd.edu.

For all students, this is the beginning of what we expect will be a very successful year. Your counselors are ready and eager to help you to achieve your goals.

Our 12th Grade Student & Parent Night took place on September 18th. A copy of the presentation can be accessed on the district guidance website. 9th graders are meeting in small groups with their guidance counselors during their PE classes during the week of October 23rd.

Upcoming presentations include:

9th Grade Parent Night: September 26th, 7pm
11th Grade Student-Parent Night: October 7th, 7pm
NCAA Student/Athlete Eligibility Night: October 9th, 7 pm
10th Grade Student-Parent Night: November 13th, 7pm
Financial Aid Night: December 17th, 7pm
All students are encouraged to utilize the extra help that every teacher offers, either before or after school or during the school day whenever the need arises. Extra-help schedules are available online as well as from teachers and the guidance counselors. Additionally, there are peer tutors through the National Honor Society. Don’t hesitate to seek out those resources that can help maximize your success.

**UPCOMING COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAMS**

**PSAT** ........................................ Saturday, Oct. 19<sup>th</sup>  
*Registration is ongoing through October 4<sup>th</sup>*

**ACT** ........................................... Saturday, Oct. 26<sup>th</sup>  
*Late registration through Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>*

**SAT** ........................................... Saturday, Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup>  
*Registration Deadline is Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>*  
*Late registration deadline is Oct. 19<sup>th</sup>*

**ACT** ........................................... Saturday, Dec. 14<sup>th</sup>  
*Registration deadline: Nov 2<sup>nd</sup>*  
*Late registration deadline is Nov. 16<sup>th</sup>*

There are SAT dates that are administered at other testing sites on October 5<sup>th</sup>, December 7<sup>th</sup>, and January 25<sup>th</sup>. Check with the College Board for other locations if you want to take the test on any of these dates.
CONTESTS & PROGRAMS FOR ALL GRADES

“CELEBRATION OF SUBURBAN DIVERSITY 2013” ESSAY CONTEST, sponsored by the National Center for Suburban Studies at Hofstra University and Bethpage Federal Credit Union for 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th graders. More than $10,000 in scholarships and prizes will be awarded to students and their schools. Submission information is available from Mrs. Hallett in Guidance West. DEADLINE IS OCTOBER 23rd.

PRUDENTIAL SPIRIT OF COMMUNITY AWARDS for students in grades 9-12 who have taken part in community service activities over the past year. Fill out an application at http://spirit.prudential.com or www.nassp.org/spirit. Once the form is completed online, it must be printed out, signed and submitted to Mrs. Hallett in Guidance West by November 5th. Huntington High School can only nominate one student who has demonstrated exemplary volunteerism.

V.F.W. VOICE OF DEMOCRACY SCHOLARSHIP open to all students in grades 9-12 is an audio-essay contest leading to a national winner of a $30,000 scholarship. This year’s theme is “Why I’m optimistic about our nation’s future.” For entry forms and more information contact VFW National Headquarters at www.vfw.org. Go to: community, programs, VFW Scholarship Programs. Students submit their entry to the local post, VFW Nathan Hale Post 1469. DEADLINE IS NOVEMBER 1st.
**CLUB Z! ANNUAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD** is open to students in grades 5 through 12. $10,000 in cash and prizes will be awarded. Students will be able to showcase their talents and abilities, their character in the classroom, how they have overcome obstacles at school, shown leadership among peers, or simply improved since the beginning of the year. You can be nominated by teachers or apply online @ [www.clubztutoring.com](http://www.clubztutoring.com). **DEADLINE IS NOVEMBER 15**th.

**HUGH O’BRIEN LEADERSHIP SEMINAR (HOBY)**
for 10th grade students provides an opportunity for two students from each high school to attend a leadership seminar in the spring which takes place at Adelphi University in June. Interested students who have demonstrated leadership activities and potential in this area should see their guidance counselor to apply. **DEADLINE IS NOVEMBER 15**th.

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**SCHOLARSHIPS FOR SENIORS**

**AES ENGINEERS SCHOLARSHIP** of $500, based on an essay of 500-1,000 words. Information can be obtained at [www.aesengineers.com/scholarships.htm](http://www.aesengineers.com/scholarships.htm). Graduating seniors will submit the essay online. Intended major in engineering not required. **DEADLINE IS OCTOBER 4**th.

**HORATIO ALGER ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP** for graduating seniors who have demonstrated integrity, perseverance in overcoming adversity, strength of character, substantial financial need, a good academic record, commitment to pursuing a college education, and a desire to contribute to society. Applications online @ [www.horatioalger.org/scholarships/program_national.cfm](http://www.horatioalger.org/scholarships/program_national.cfm) and must be submitted by **OCTOBER 25**th.
COCA COLA SCHOLARS PROGRAM for seniors with highly developed interests in their community, demonstrated leadership, academic achievement (minimum GPA of 3.0), commitment to community and employment. Two-hundred awards of $4,000 and twenty awards of $20,000 will be given across the country. Applications must be done online at www.coca-colascholars.org by OCTOBER 31st.

RON BROWN SCHOLARS PROGRAM offers awards to academically talented, highly motivated African American seniors who plan to pursue undergraduate degrees full-time. Students must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents. Up to twenty students will be selected nationwide to receive $10,000 for each of four years. Applicants should demonstrate academic achievement, exhibit leadership ability, participate in community service activities and demonstrate financial need. Applications and information available at www.ronbrown.org. PRIORITY DEADLINE IS NOVEMBER 1st.

SUFFOLK ACADEMY OF MEDICINE “DOCTORS OF TOMORROW” PROGRAM for graduating seniors interested in entering the field of medicine. Required introductory symposium on December 4th, essay contest, a day with a doctor, and $3,000 in scholarships will be disseminated. You must let Mrs. Hallett know that you will be participating by NOVEMBER 15th.

ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION MOST VALUABLE STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP CONTEST and ROGER E. TETRAULT-HUNTINGTON SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM is open to seniors who are United States citizens and are planning to earn a four-year college degree. Awards range from $1,000 to $50,000. Applications and instructions are to be accessed at www.elks.org/enf/scholars/mvs.cfm. DEADLINE IS DEC. 6th.
COLGATE-PALMOLIVE & HISPANIC SCHOLARSHIP FUND’s “MAKE THE U” SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM will award 20 $2,500 grants and one $15,000 grand prize. Three short essays required. Application information is available at www.colgate.com/HazLaU. Graduating seniors of Hispanic descent who are United States citizens or legal permanent residents, have a minimum GPA of 3.0/4.0, and are planning to attend college full-time upon graduation are eligible to apply. DEADLINE IS JANUARY 20th.

WEBSITES FOR SCHOLARSHIP SEARCHES

www.fastweb.com

www.scholarships.com

www.srnexpress.com

www.collegeanswer.com

www.scholarshipamerica.org/students

www.StudentRewards.com

www.BrokeScholar.com

www.Collegenet.com

www.finaid.com

www.WeeklyscholarshipAlert.org

wwwMeritAid.com

www.wiredscholar.com

www.studentaid.ed.gov

www.absolutelyscholarship.com